

House Resolution 503

By: Representative Carter of the 92nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating and commending Valerie J. Morgan for receiving the 2019 Yellow Rose
2 Nikki T. Randall Servant Leader Award; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Valerie J. Morgan has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the
4 vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal commitment to the welfare
5 of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, she has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her time,
7 talents, and energy toward the betterment of her community and state as evidenced
8 dramatically by her superlative service in the journalism field; and

9 WHEREAS, she holds a bachelor's degree in journalism from Florida Southern College and
10 is a founder and co-publisher of On Common Ground News, Inc., which provides print and
11 online news in DeKalb, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry, and Rockdale counties; and

12 WHEREAS, among her many achievements, she has served as editor-in-chief and DeKalb
13 bureau chief for the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* and she served as the launch editor for the
14 AJC's expansion into Rockdale County; and

15 WHEREAS, her significant organizational and leadership talents, her remarkable patience
16 and diplomacy, her keen sense of vision, and her sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of
17 this state have earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues and associates; and

18 WHEREAS, she is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
19 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

20 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
21 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
23 the members of this body congratulate and commend Valerie J. Morgan for receiving the
24 2019 Yellow Rose Nikki T. Randall Servant Leader Award.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
26 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
27 Valerie J. Morgan.